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METHODS OF MAKING AND USING THEM
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**STATEMENT BY KEITH A. KRETZ IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CORRECTION
OF INVENTORSHIP PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2)**

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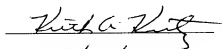
- 1) I reside at 973 Hawthorne Court, San Marcos; CA 92069;
- 2) I am named as an inventor of an invention claimed in the above-referenced patent application; and
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